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Motor Carrier Safety Regulations

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ILLINOIS MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY REGULATIONS

Who is affected?

All carriers, drivers or vehicles to which the current Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations apply and

All intrastate carriers, drivers or vehicles, **registered** for a gross weight of 12,001 pounds or more, operated for the transportation of property in the furtherance of any commercial or industrial enterprise, for hire or not for hire.

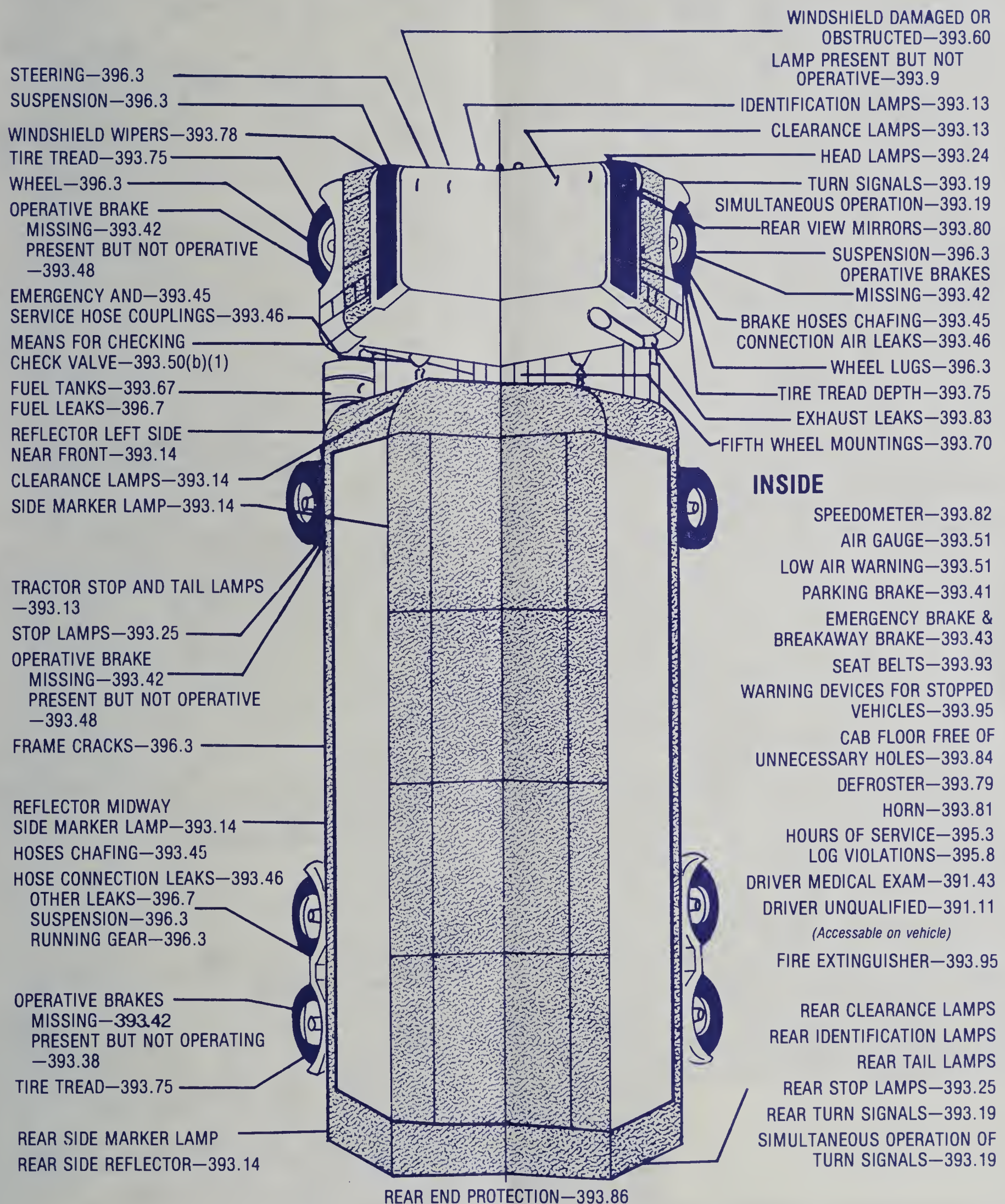
What are the Illinois Motor Carrier Safety Regulations?

Parts 390 through 393 and parts of 395 and 396 of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. These regulations also apply to intrastate carriers, drivers, and vehicles registered for a gross weight of 12,001 pounds or more.

What do these parts require of me the carrier?

Generally, they require you to be familiar with the regulations, employee qualified drivers, have safe, operable equipment on your vehicles and use it as prescribed, make mandatory certain parts and accessories, limit driver hours of service and set standards for inspection.

In conducting roadside inspections, Troopers will be checking all parts and accessories necessary for the safe operation of the motor carrier's vehicles.





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VEHICLE INSPECTION

In addition to roadside safety inspections, the Illinois State Police will provide, upon request, courtesy safety inspections at the carrier's place of business.

Q. How many carriers request a courtesy inspection?

A. May write or telephone the State Police Headquarters in the district in which the business is located and ask for a courtesy inspection.

Q. What will the trooper do during the inspection?

A. He will inspect one or two vehicles with a company representative, pointing out the various items troopers in the field will be checking. Owners will then be able to ensure that all the vehicles in their fleet are in compliance with the Safety Regulations.

Q. When a vehicle is inspected along the roadside and found to have a violation what will happen?

A. Depending upon the severity of the violation: 1. If the violation is of a serious nature (i.e., no brakes) the driver of the vehicle may be issued a traffic citation and the trooper will place an out-of-service sticker on the vehicle, in which case, the vehicle must be repaired before being operated. 2. If the violation is of a less serious nature (i.e., one taillight) the driver may be issued either a traffic citation or a written warning and advised to correct the violation as soon as possible.

Q. When documented defects are corrected, does the carrier need to mail proof of repair to the Illinois State Police?

A. Yes, if the vehicle was placed out-of-service for the defects.

Q. When a vehicle is inspected and no violations are found, what will the trooper do?

A. He will provide the driver with a copy of a notice that the vehicle had been inspected and no violations had been observed, and affix a Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) decal to the vehicle.

NOTE: Most mechanical defects found during roadside inspections could and should be discovered during pretrip or preventive maintenance inspections.